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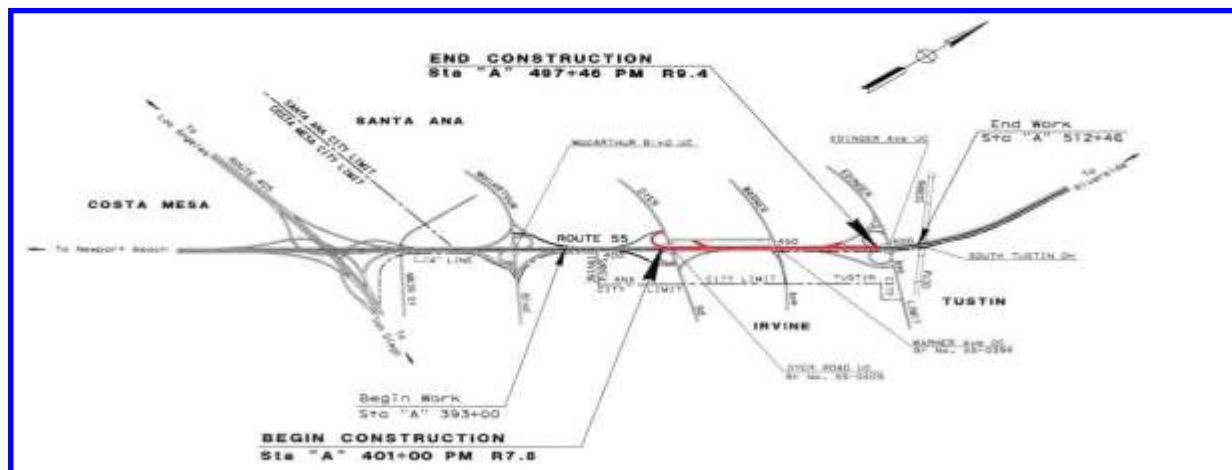
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SOUTHBOUND STATE ROUTE 55 PROJECT TO WIDEN FREEWAY AND BRIDGE, AND CONSTRUCT RETAINING/TIEBACK WALL

Irvine— The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) construction project covers a 1.6 mile stretch of southbound SR-55 in Santa Ana. The project limits are from the Edinger Avenue undercrossing to 0.2 mile south of Dyer Road undercrossing. This \$8 million project is expected to begin October 6, 2011 with an anticipated completion date of April 17, 2012. Ortiz Enterprises, Inc. of Irvine, CA is the contractor.

The project will consist of adding an auxiliary lane on the SB SR-55 from Edinger Avenue to Dyer Road, widening the bridge on Dyer Road, and constructing a retaining/tieback wall at Warner Avenue. Work will be performed Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. with intermittent nighttime work from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

The Edinger Avenue on-ramp to SB SR-55 and EB/WB Dyer Road off-ramps will have alternating temporary closures. Detour signs and routes will be in place.



This project will improve the weaving operation of vehicles entering and exiting the freeway, help reduce overall traffic delay, and relieve traffic congestion on this portion of SB SR-55. This will also allow for dissipation of traffic flow coming from the I-5/ SR-55 Interchange.

For more information on this project you may contact the District 12 Public Information Office at (949) 724-2000 or log on to the Caltrans website at www.dot.ca.gov/dist12.



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Caltrans reminds motorists to use extra caution and reduce speeds when driving through construction zones.

